

**City of Auburn
City Council - Business Meeting & Public Hearing**

Thursday June 7, 2012 6:00PM
Minutes

Public Hearing on the following actions:

Enactment of a change in the meeting dates of the Auburn City Council to designate that regular meeting be held on Thursday of each week, of each month.

Enactment of a Residential Commercial Urban Exemption Program pursuant to Section 485a of the Real Property Tax Law.

Recommended 2012-13 Budget

The regular meeting of the Auburn City Council was called to order at 6:00PM in City Council Chambers, 24 South St. Auburn NY by Mayor Michael D. Quill.

Roll Call

The City Clerk Called the roll. Councilor Graney, Camardo, Ruzicka, Smith and Mayor Quill, **PRESENT**.

City Staff Present:

City Manager	Doug Selby
Corporation Counsel	John Rossi
City Clerk	Debby McCormick
Police Chief	Gary Giannotta
Fire Chief	Jeffery Dygert
CIP Manager	Christina Selvek
Planning Director	Jenny Haines

The Mayor led the **Pledge of Allegiance** and asked for a **Moment of Silence**.

Mayor Quill opened the PUBLIC HEARINGS for all of the above listed topics and invited people to come forward to speak.

- Mrs. Maxine Alberici Adams Ave - spoke on behalf of the Historic and Cultural Sites Commission as it relates to tourism and the economy of the city. She urged Council to continue funding the Tourism Budget.

Mayor Quill opened the **Public to be Heard** portion of the meeting and kept the **Public Hearings** open.

Ron Quill 5 Case Ave. reminded the public that June 14th is Flag Day and that the Knights of Columbus are having a ceremony that day.

Minutes from the previous meeting were not available for this Council Meeting.

Presentations and Proclamations - The Clerk read a proclamation from the Mayor to recognize the Knights of Columbus and the veterans that will be traveling with them to Washington DC thanks to the efforts of Operation Enduring Freedom and the Knights of Columbus. Joe Lopiccolo accepted and spoke to explain the program.

Auburn Beautification Commission Members, Laurie Turo, Joe Diveitro and Hillary Ford presented Council with an overview of what they have accomplished in the city to date. In addition, they presented Council with a photo of the new sign that will be placed at entrance points around the city.

At 6:34PM Mayor Quill asked if there were any citizens that would like to speak during the Public Hearing which he has kept open throughout the meeting. None came forward.

Public Announcements - The Clerk read.

City Manager's Report - He deferred his report to the end of the meeting during the budget discussion.

The Clerk read communications.

There were no SEQR resolutions.

Council pulled Ordinance #6 of 2012 amending Section 285 of the City Code Vehicles and Traffic that was scheduled for a FIRST READING.

At 6:50PM Mayor Quill asked for a final time if there were any members of the public that wished to be heard. There were none. Mayor Quill closed the Public Hearings.

Resolutions -

Land Sale Resolution # 59 of 2012 authorizing the sale of 16 Evans St. **VOTE: Councilors Graney, Camardo, Smith, Ruzicka, and Mayor Quill, Aye. CARRIED.**

Council Resolution #60 of 2012 authorizing the City Manager to advertise for bids for the Sewer Collection System Improvements Project. **VOTE: Councilors Graney, Camardo, Smith, Ruzicka, Mayor Quill, Aye. CARRIED.**

Award Resolution #61 of 2012 authorizing the 2012 Revolving Loan Sidewalk Program. **VOTE: Councilors Graney, Smith, Ruzicka, Mayor Quill, Aye. Councilor Camardo Abstained. CARRIED.**

There were no local laws or tabled legislation.

Other Business -

City Manager Doug Selby opened the discussion on the budget with a status recap. He covered income, revenue, sales tax, discretionary and non-discretionary expenses.

Council discussed the budget and offered ideas to generate revenue. Remove the gas tax cap, tax theater tickets were two of the ideas.

Council discussed the AIDA board and AIDA board appoints including the process in which board members are appointed.

Council adjourned to executive session at 7:45PM.

Council adjourned at 8:10PM.